

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
MARCH 27, 1996

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held on Wednesday, March 27, 1996, at 9:00 a.m., in Conference Room 507 of the Education and Research Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

Members present: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Yvonne Brown, John Junkin, II, Patricia Puckett, Perrin Purvis, Nell Rogers, William Seal, Hazel Terry, and George Walker*.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray*, Executive Director, William Bunch, Jr., Becky Cade, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Curtis Kynerd, Sandra Lucas, R. L. McClellan, Ed Schneider*, and Frankie Walton White.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Breazeale at 9:00 a.m.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Mrs. Yvonne Brown.

Chairman Breazeale asked Board members and staff in attendance to introduce themselves to Mrs. Joanna Heidel and Mr. Henry Hudspeth, two new Board appointees whose terms will begin on July 1, 1996. Also in attendance as guests were: Dr. David Haraway MACJC Chairman, Mrs. Nancy Alley*, representing the State Department of Education, and Mr. Robert Brown, husband of Board member Yvonne Brown.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by John Junkin, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board approved the minutes of the February 14 and 15, 1996, meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Patricia Puckett, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda as presented.

REPORTS/ACTION

MACJC Report

Dr. David Haraway, Chairman of the Mississippi Association for Community and Junior Colleges, reported on the following agenda items discussed at their February 27, 1996, meeting:

* Entered the meeting late.

* * * Dr. Olon Ray and George Walker entered the meeting.

On a motion by George Walker and a second by Nell Rogers, the Board voted unanimously to approve a revision to the SBCJC Policies and Procedures Manual regarding Travel Policies, Section 8.0, Page 1 of 3. Actual mileage shall be calculated from the employee's official duty station or actual miles traveled, whichever is less. (Exhibit J)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray reported on a meeting held with the State Bond Council regarding issuance of a \$23,500,000 bond request. Approval was issued for the advertisement of a bond attorney for the issuance of these bonds.

Dr. Ray distributed to Board members copies of a Telecommunications Plan for the State of Mississippi prepared for the Joint Telecommunications Committee of the Legislature.

Dr. Ray reminded Board members that they must complete and file with the Mississippi Ethics Commission a Statement of Economic Interest by May 1, 1996.

Dr. Ray introduced new staff member, Curtis Kynerd. Mr. Kynerd will manage the telecommunications interactive network.

Dr. Ray also stated that confirmation hearings for four SBCJC appointees would be held today at 11:00. Board members to be confirmed are: Yvonne Brown, John Junkin, Joanna Heidel, and Henry Hudspeth.

Dr. Ray reported that six mobile learning labs previously approved by the Board would be delivered to community/junior colleges on April 1, 1996.

Workforce Education Report

George Walker reported on a meeting held earlier this morning at the Capitol with key legislators and representatives of the State Workforce Council. The meeting highlighted plans for a seamless delivery system of workforce training for the State of Mississippi. Representatives presented to the Legislators the following statements:

The structure of the delivery system and appropriation for education and training in Mississippi is fragmented and cumbersome. Education and training is delivered by virtually all agencies producing inefficient and unnecessary expenditures and unsatisfactory results for employers and the Mississippi Workforce.

Legislators seemed very receptive to the group of private employers' ideas and discussed organization of a group to work during the legislative recess to formulate and present plans to the 1997 Legislative Session regarding the delivery system of workforce training in Mississippi.

*** Ed Schneider entered the meeting.

Election of Officers for Year Beginning July 1, 1996

On a motion by Alton Bankston and a second by Yvonne Brown, George Walker was nominated to serve as Chairman of the SBCJC for the year beginning July 1, 1996. John Junkin moved the nominations be closed, seconded by Nell Rogers. On a motion by John Junkin and a second by Nell Rogers, George Walker was elected by acclamation to serve as SBCJC Chairman beginning July 1, 1996.

On a motion by Hazel Terry and a second by Perrin Purvis, Alton Bankston was nominated to serve as Vice Chairman of the SBCJC for the year beginning July 1, 1996. John Junkin moved the nominations cease, seconded by George Walker. On a motion by John Junkin, seconded by Nell Rogers, Alton Bankston was elected by acclamation to serve as Vice Chairman of the SBCJC beginning July 1, 1996.

Travel Authorizations

Chairman Breazeale asked for requests to authorize travel reimbursements other than regularly scheduled Board meetings. On a motion by John Junkin, seconded by Patricia Puckett, the Board voted unanimously to approve requests for reimbursement for the following members:

MACJC Legislative Appreciation Luncheon, 2/6/96, Hazel Terry
Skill Tech Conference, 2/28 and 2/29/96 - Perrin Purvis, Paul Breazeale, and
George Walker
Phi Theta Kappa Academic All-American Team Appreciation Luncheon, 3/6/96
William Seal and Paul Breazeale.

Official Change of May Board Meeting

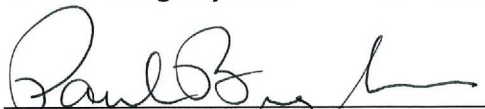
On a motion by Perrin Purvis and a second by George Walker, the Board voted unanimously to change the May Board meeting to Friday, May 31, 1996, at 1:30 p.m. at Co-Lin Community College's Natchez Campus.

OTHER BUSINESS


In other business, Dr. Ray commended William Bunch and Deborah Gilbert for their hard work during the current Legislative Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.



Paul Breazeale, Chairman



Olon E. Ray
Executive Director